

Washington State Health Care Authority

DESIGN TEAM MEETING SUMMARY

K-12 HEALTH BENEFITS PROJECT

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2011

HCA – EXEC CONF ROOM

9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Purpose: To discuss and review Policy Recommendations and Operations Implementation Plan.

Participants included Design Team, Project Support Team

√ Michael Arnis	√ Mary Fliss	√ Jim Stevenson
√ Tim Barclay	√ Annette Meyer	√ Peter Summerville
√ Linda Blankenship	Sharon Michael	√ John Williams
Richard Campbell	Denise Rhiner	√ Michael Pickett
√ Andrew Cherullo	Jason Siems	

Meeting Summary:

Policy Items Review and Discussion

John listed policy topics in sequence. The team reviewed the list of proposed design policy items. Each was discussed in detail, some were refined and the list of design policies that must be set for the design of K-12 consolidated system was confirmed. Most of these must be decided or options provided in order to build the Operations Implementation plan.

The team discussed retirees. The same problems we are trying to solve with the rest of K-12 don't exist with this population. They have uniformity, transparency and equity in benefits.

Governance board. The team discussed the various options for governance. The Oregon governance model was reviewed as well as other successful models in some of the Washington K-12 districts. Should we assume there will be a board reporting to the Governor or does it need to be a board? Responsibilities of governance group were discussed. HCA's role was also discussed.

Operations Implementation Planning

The Operations Implementation team has been looking at the options for administering a K-12 consolidated system. They have identified at an aggregate level how it works now in the districts. An overview of an option that leverages and builds on the current district process was presented. This requires additional within the HCA departments. Timing for project tasks and timeframe for implementation of the system, which includes online enrollment, and a data warehouse, was discussed. Feedback was provided. John Williams and Mary Fliss will present to WASBO on Tuesday

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